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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD FOR PROVIDING CUSTOMIZED USER INTERFACE AND TARGETED MARKETING FORUM

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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DETAILED ACTION

Examiner's Amendment

- An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
- 2. With one correction, the following examiner's amendment was sent to the examiner by Daniel Polley, Esq., as an email message attachment on 8 April 2009.
- 3. For the record, it is noted that applicant created the new independent claims 13 and 14 by incorporating former independent claim 12 into each of the former claims 13 and 14, with a few deletions that do not bear on patentability.
- 4. <u>Correction of the proposed examiner's amendment</u> The proposed examiner's amendment did contain a grammatical error that was corrected as follows: at line 7 in each claim 13 and 14 below, the examiner has changed "are aware" to "is aware". In addition to being a grammatical error, "are aware" does not appear in the claims of record (i.e., line 15 of claim 12, on p. 18 of the brief filed 6 September 2007).
- 5. The examiner's amendment is as follows. <u>Cancel claims 1, 6-12, 16, 17, 19, 27 and 30</u>. Amend claims 2-5, 13-15, 18, 20-26, 28 and 29 as follows:

CLAIM 1 (cancelled)

CLAIM 2 (currently amended) The method of claim 13, further comprising the step of excluding from the interface any ads associated with an ad profile not matching the user profile.

CLAIM 3 (currently amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the user profile for each user is created from and solely based on information knowingly provided by each user.

CLAIM 4 (currently amended) The method of claim 13, further comprising the step of including in the interface ads that are related to one or more favorite category of products or services specified in the information provided by the user to create his or her user profile.

CLAIM 5 (currently amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the user profile defines a list of one or more advertisers, the method further comprising the step of including in the interface only those ads that are associated with the advertisers listed in the user profile.

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CLAIMS 6-12 (cancelled)

CLAIM 13 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 12, A method for generating a customized interface, comprising the steps of:

associating in a computer one or more ads with each ad having a respective ad profiles; associating in a computer one or more user profiles with each user profile created from information inputted by a corresponding user and transmitted to the computer, wherein each user personally assists in the creation of his or her user profile by knowingly inputting the information and is aware that the information will be used to create a customized interface for each user profile,

determining matching ad profiles by comparing the ad profiles with user profiles for matches;

selectively including in the interface of a user at least one of the one or more ads associated with the ad profiles matching a user profile created from the information provided by the user; and

formatting the interface in accordance with the user profile;

wherein the user profile defines an amount of space on the interface, the method further comprising the step of formatting the interface such that the one or more ads included in the interface are restricted to the amount of space defined in the user profile.

CLAIM 14 (currently amended) The method of claim 12, A method for generating a customized interface, comprising the steps of:

associating in a computer one or more ads with each ad having a respective ad profiles; associating in a computer one or more user profiles with each user profile created from information inputted by a corresponding user and transmitted to the computer, wherein each user personally assists in the creation of his or her user profile by knowingly inputting the information and is aware that the information will be used to create a customized interface for each user profile,

determining matching ad profiles by comparing the ad profiles with user profiles for matches;

selectively including in the interface of a user at least one of the one or more ads associated with the ad profiles matching a user profile created from the information provided by the user; and

formatting the interface in accordance with the user profile;

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wherein the user profile defines an percentage of space on the interface, the method further comprising the step of formatting the interface such that the one or more ads included in the interface occupy no more space than the percentage defined in the user profile.

CLAIM 15 (currently amended) The method of claim <u>13</u> <u>42</u>, wherein the user profile defines a framework, the method further comprising the step of formatting the interface in accordance with the framework defined in the user profile.

CLAIMS 16-17 (cancelled)

CLAIM 18 (currently amended) The method of claim <u>13</u> 16, further comprising the step of generating the interface in real time.

CLAIM 19 (cancelled)

CLAIM 20 (currently amended) The method of claim <u>13</u> 16, further comprising the step of storing statistical data determined according to the user's activity at the interface.

CLAIM 21 (previously presented) The method of claim 20, further comprising the step of charging an advertiser of the ads having a matching profile in accordance with the statistical data.

CLAIM 22 (currently amended) The method of claim <u>13</u> 16, further comprising the step of charging an advertiser of the ads having a matching profile in accordance with the matches.

CLAIM 23 (previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein the charging step comprises charging the advertiser in accordance with the number of users having matching user profiles.

CLAIM 24 (previously presented) The method of claim 23, wherein the charging step comprises charging the advertiser as a function of amount of space available for presenting the ad to the users.

CLAIM 25 (previously presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the charging step comprises charging the advertiser according to the number of users to whom the ad was sent.

CLAIM 26 (previously presented) The method of claim 25, wherein the charging step comprises charging the advertiser an amount determined according to a function of when the user receives the ad.

CLAIM 27 (cancelled)

CLAIM 28 (currently amended) The method of claim <u>13</u> 27, wherein the ad profile contains information about a targeted audience for the ad.

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CLAIM 29 (currently amended) The method of claim 13 27, further comprising the step of including the ad in the interface on condition that the user profile is consistent with the targeted audience and the inclusion of the ad is consistent with the user profile.

CLAIM 30 (cancelled)

Allowable Subject Matter

- 6. <u>Claims 2-5, 13-15, 18, 20-26, 28 and 29</u> as amended above are allowed by decision of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences mailed 2 February 2009.
- 7. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

- 8. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Donald L Champagne whose telephone number is 571-272-6717. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Wednesday and Friday. The examiner can also be contacted by e-mail at donald.champagne@uspto.gov, and informal fax communications (i.e., communications not to be made of record) may be sent directly to the examiner at 571-273-6717.
- 9. The examiner's supervisor, James W. Myhre, can be reached on 571-272-6722. The fax phone number for all *formal* fax communications is 571-273-8300.

31 June 2009

/Donald L. Champagne/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 3688